## P-20 Council Steering Committee Meeting June 11, 2008 - 2:00 p.m. Meeting Notes

**Location:** 1700 W. Washington, 6th Floor Conference Room B, Phoenix,

AZ 85007

**Committee Members** 

**Present**: Dr. Rufus Glasper, Dr. Karen Nicodemus, Dr. Sybil Francis,

Paul Luna and Susan Carlson (telephonic).

**Staff Present:** Darcy Renfro, Debra Raeder, Lauren Kielsmeier, Claire Parriott,

Eva Lester and Erin Hart.

Others: Elise Piatt of Triadvocates and Bernie Ronan of Maricopa

Community Colleges.

#### 1. Call to Order and Welcome

Dr. Glasper called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m. It was noted that Susan Carlson was attending the meeting telephonically.

# 2. Review/Discussion: Work of the Committees Update Steering Committee:

• The Governor is unable to join the Council for the meeting on June 19, 2008 but will have a conference call with the members on June 16, 2008. Dennis Burke, the Governor's Chief of Staff, will speak on the Governor's behalf at the meeting in Flagstaff. The Committee briefly reviewed and discussed the agenda for the June 16<sup>th</sup> and June 19<sup>th</sup> meetings.

#### **Higher Education Ad Hoc Committee:**

• The final meeting of the Committee was June 5, 2008. The committee will bring its recommendations to the Council on June 19, 2008. Staff provided a review of the recommendations and engaged with the Committee in discussion.

#### **Communications Committee:**

• Staff updated the Committee on the status of the Collaborative Communications Campaign. Staff provided members with a one-page outline of the goals, emphasis, outcomes and measures of success for the campaign as well as an overview of the revised campaign concepts. The campaign will be presented at the full Council meeting in Flagstaff on June 19, 2008.

## **Data Committee**

• Dr. Sybil Francis informed the Committee that the Governor's Office received a \$25,000 grant from America's Promise for the Dropout Prevention Initiative. In addition, Dr. Francis updated the Committee on the issue of the decline in the graduation rate (from 77% to 70% during the period of 2004-2006) and indicated that the issues surrounding the change to the graduation rate data leading to the revised graduation rate from 2004-2006 have been satisfactorily explained.

#### 3. Other

- The Committee discussed the Algebra II End of Course Test.
- The Committee commented on the great article in *Education Week* regarding the Governor's P-20 Council.

• Committee members requested staff consider another Council retreat.

#### 4. Next Steps:

- Staff will add numbers and letters as a guide on the higher education recommendations.
- Staff will gather information on possibly holding another retreat.

## 5. Call to the Public:

There were no requests from the public to address the Committee.

## 6. Adjournment:

There being no further business or discussion, the meeting was adjourned by Dr. Rufus Glasper at 3:45 p.m.